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In re Application of : MERRILL A. BIEL  
Application No. : 10/026,198  
Filed: : 12/21/01  
Attorney Docket No. : 22.272.22

**RESPONSE TO REQUEST  
FOR CLARIFICATION REQUEST  
FOR REFUND DENIED**

This is in response to your letter submitted on March 6, 2002. Wherein you requested an explanation of a fee charged to deposit account 501212.

According to our records serial number 10/026,198 was filed on December 21, 2001, with a total of 52 claims with 7 independent claims.

Applicant was required to pay the following fees:

Filing Fee	=	\$370.00
Additional Claims over 20	=	\$288.00
Additonal claims over 3	=	\$168.00
Assignment	=	\$ 40.00
<b>Total Amount Due</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>\$866.00</b>

Applicant submitted a check in the amount of \$824.00, therefore applicant's deposit account was charged the additional amount of \$42.00.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Merilyn S. Watts (703) 308-1730

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